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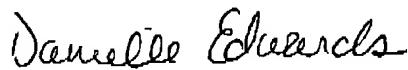
Following entry of the foregoing amendment, claims 1 and 10-23 are pending.

Claim 1 has been amended. Support for the amended claim may be found throughout the specification, for example, at page 67, lines 18-19, and in the original claims. No new matter is added by this amendment.

The present Amendment clarifies issues on appeal and does not present new matter. Further, it is submitted that the present Amendment does not raise new issues requiring further search and consideration by the Examiner. As such, entry of the foregoing amendment is respectfully requested.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-2387, referencing matter number 16517.231.

Respectfully submitted,



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